Lab to Land scheme of ICAR

2143. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present status of the "Lab to Land" scheme of Indian Council of Agriculture Research;

(b) what is the extent of implementation of this scheme;

(c) whether Indian Council of Agriculture Research has entrusted this scheme to Krishi Gyan Kendras; and

(d) if so, what monitoring has been done by Indian Council of Agriculture Research of this "Lab to Land" Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Sir, The Lab to Land Scheme of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has been integrated with the Krishi Vigyan Kendra Project of I.C.A.R.

(b) The scheme of Lab to Land, in its revised form, is being implemented by 183 Krishi Vigyan Kendras in the country.

(c) No, Sir. Krishi Gyan Kendra is a scheme of Haryana Agricultural University, Hissar.

(d) Regular monitoring is being done by the Zonal Coordination Units, located in eight centres in the country, and the ICAR Headquarters.

Fellowship scheme in ICAR

2144. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) scheme wise details of achievements of schemes sponsored/executed by Indian Council of Agriculture Research during the current year;

(b) whether Government are considering reorientation/restructuring of Indian Council of Agriculture Research to match the challenging task ahead, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) major ICAR projects proposed in Maharashtra during Eighth Five Year plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The information is given in the enclosed statement—I.

(*See* below)

(b) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has already been reorganised based on the recommendations of various Committees.

(c) The details of the ICAR Projects/Schemes in operation/proposed in Maharashtra are given in enclosed Statement-II.